

A world's record in Frisbee tossing was set at Hotchkiss Field July 31-Aug. 2 when 900-plus players flung the disc for 57 hours to raise more than \$10,000 for a scholar-ship fund in memory of Gallaudet audiologist Jane Hendrix and her husband, Pryor, who both died in a 1989 plane crash. The event was sponsored by the Washington Area Frisbee Club, with help from the Bison Booster Club and MSSD Athletics Department.

#### I-DEAF fund will help deaf people in developing nations attend Gallaudet

Sometimes big projects begin in very small ways ... like with two cents. That was all Andrea Shettle had when she started a scholarship fund last year to help educate potential deaf leaders from developing nations at Gallaudet.

Today, the International Deaf Education and Advancement Fund (I-DEAF) is dollars and cents away from its \$10,000 goal, which it must raise to get matching funds from a government grant. At that time, interest from the fund will go toward scholarships to deserving students from developing nations.

Shettle's dream began in April 1991 when she was an undergraduate English honors student at Gallaudet. "I was sparked to action in part by the World Federation of the Deaf's (WFD) distressing 1991 report that 80 percent of deaf people in developing nations have no access to education whatsoever. The rest are lucky to get through primary school," she said.

In addition, deaf people born in many developing nations are treated almost as non-persons, being denied the most basic human rights, said

With the help of the University's Development Office, Shettle initiated I-DEAF to educate deaf students from developing nations with the hopes that they will return to their homes as leaders and work for positive change in their communities

To be considered for a scholarship. students must plan to work in their

home country after graduation to advance educational and social rights for deaf citizens. In addition, they must demonstrate financial need, and be deaf or hard of hearing. They may be graduate or undergraduate students, but those with an education or social work major will be considered top candidates.

Andrea has worked really hard to make this happen," said Chris Krentz of the Development Office. "She's had white elephant and bake sales, set out contribution jars, and motivated others to help raise money for the fund.'

Dr. Yerker Andersson, WFD president and Gallaudet sociology professor, applauds Shettle's efforts. He believes that deaf people in industrialized nations need to help deaf citizens in developing nations "to find ways to improve the quality of life among deaf people in their countries. The I-DEAF is a good example of such efforts.

Dr. Harlan Lane, author of When the Mind Hears and a distinguished professor at Northeastern University, said that it "is long past time" for America to "extend a helping hand to deaf people in the Third World.'

"Even the smallest gift helps," Shettle said, "because there is a 'ripple effect.' You help one student, and this student will go home and help maybe hundreds of others. Help a dozen students get through college, and you've just helped turn around a whole community."

Donations to the I-DEAF fund may be

mailed to the Development Office.

#### **Wood Company becomes Gallaudet's** new food vendor, replacing DAKA

The Wood Company of Allentown, Pa., has become Gallaudet's new food vendor, replacing Dining and Kitchen Administration, Inc. (DAKA), of Washington, D.C., which had served the University for the past five years.

Gallaudet signed a five-year contract with Wood that will be reviewed annually. The contract went into effect July 11.

A committee composed of faculty, staff, and students selected Wood after reviewing proposals from seven companies, according to Charles Mann, Gallaudet's director of Business Services. The committee also conducted interviews with management representatives from three of the companies selected as finalists.

The committee based its selection on its evaluation of each vendor's ability to fulfill the specifications of the food service contract, creativity in offering a responsive food service program, and its cost to the University, Mann said.

John Kuzma, Wood's senior director of Dining Services, said he believes the committee selected Wood because it felt the company "meant what it said when we talked with them about communications, flexibility, and quality.

'On our organization chart, Gallaudet is at the top," Kuzma said. "I report to Gallaudet, not some boss at Wood. We're looking forward to becoming part of the community.

The company started as a single restaurant in Allentown owned by Bob Wood and his family. The Wood Company now serves more than 300 educational, health care, and business clients in Washington, D.C., Ohio, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Maryland, Virginia, Delaware, New York, and Connecticut. Area clients include the University of Maryland-Baltimore County, St. Mary's College of Maryland, and Morgan State University.

'One thing Mr. Wood still wants is all the food services to be run just like his restaurant," Kuzma said. "That means service to the customer. Service is the key," he emphasized. "Most food, if prepared properly, is the same. What is important is listening to what people want and making changes.

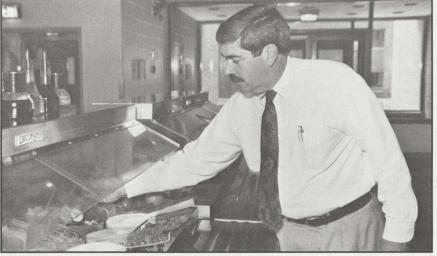
Kuzma said Wood is already taking steps that he feels will provide Gallaudet customers with quality service. For example, students can use their meal plan credit for purchases at the snack bar, the Abbey, or through vending machines. They also can trade in a breakfast or lunch meal at the cafeteria for a cash credit at the snack bar. Wood will keep track of purchases and transfers through a magnetic bar code on students' IDs. Business at the snack bar is expected to increase because of the new meal plan arrangement. Kuzma said Wood plans to spend \$140,000 over the next two years to renovate the area.

To help ensure customer satisfaction, Wood has hired Edwin Carrington, a Gallaudet graduate and former manager of the Abbey, as a resident manager-in-training to help resolve complaints and take suggestions on ways to improve service.

Wood is committed to hiring other deaf and hard of hearing people to work in the dining hall, snack bar, and catering services, Kuzma added.

This will not be Kuzma's first exposure to Gallaudet. He was a manager for Marriott Corporation when it provided food services here

Kuzma believes his previous experience with Gallaudet and sign language also helped Wood win the bid. When he heard that Wood was submitting a bid at Gallaudet, he asked to be part of the presentation team.



John Kuzma, senior director of Dining Services for Wood Company, inspects salad bar.

#### Gallaudet student proves deafness no barrier in emergency medical field

Gallaudet student Audrey Hill is breaking ground for deaf people in the health field as an Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) trainee with the Bladensburg (Md.) Volunteer Fire Department.

Hill got her job after Susan Ganz, a job developer in Experiential Programs Off Campus (EPOC), learned of Hill's interest in the medical field and past experience as a hospital aide. Ganz talked with Mary Ann Wells, a secretary in the Office of Student Affairs and a volunteer with the fire department, who approached the fire chief with the idea of hiring Hill. "He was very open-minded," she said, "because he once had a deaf firefighter trainee.'

A biology major, Hill worked for two summers and Christmas breaks at Aspen Hospital in her home state of Colorado. Her experience there ranged from working in the emergency room to assisting in delivering babies. "I helped deliver five babies last summer, and I loved it," she said.

Currently, Hill is certified to administer standard first aid. During the

10 hours a week she is on duty, she may encounter drug overdoses, car wrecks, stabbings, or shootings. In order to protect both herself and the fire department, Hill is never asked to do more than what she is trained for.

Hill, who uses her voice and speech reads, says her deafness has not caused any problems in doing her job, and the ambulance crew is quickly learning to communicate with her. Wells, who works alongside Hill, interprets when necessary

After 110-120 hours of study and onthe-job training in the ambulance to become an EMT, Hill will progress to the Cardiac Rescue Technician (CRT) level. To become a CRT requires 30 hours of training with an additional eight hours of in-hospital training.

"I enjoy helping people and I like the medical field. That's why I like emergency medicine," said Hill. "It's always different and interesting."

After graduating from Gallaudet, Hill plans to get a bachelor's degree in nursing and attend graduate school to become a nurse midwife.





Maybe sack races and tug of war weren't on the schedule of the Summer Olympics in Barcelona, but they were a big hit with the kids in Gallaudet's Children's Instructional Summer Program, who enjoyed a day of wacky events at the "Goofy Olympics.

# **Among Ourselves**

Ausma Smits, an assistant professor in the History Department and a longtime community activist, received the Golden Rose Award of the National Association of the Deaf July 25. Smits was instrumental in the 1980 founding of the Metropolitan Washington Deaf Community Center, Inc., and currently serves as its president. The award, made in memory of Frederick Schreiber, first executive director of NAD, honors individuals who have provided distinguished service to the deaf community without pay and served as role models for deaf youth.

Susan Karchmer, former coordinator of the Professional and Community Training Program, has been promoted to director of the National Academy, taking the place of Patti Singleton, who is filling the newly created position of director of outreach in the College for Continuing Education. Bridgetta Bourne-Firl, who was a program development specialist in the National

Academy, is the new coordinator of the Professional and Community Training Program.

Susan Flanigan, Pre-College marketing coordinator, staffed an exhibit of Pre-College products and promoted the services of Educational Resource Centers on Deafness at the Alexander Graham Bell International Convention in San Diego, Calif., June 12-July 2.

Marilyn Galloway, director of Pre-College Outreach Services, staffed a Pre-College Programs exhibit at the National Association of the Deaf convention in Denver, Colo., June 29-July 5.

David Schleper, MSSD reading and writing specialist, conducted a Whole Language workshop for classroom teachers from the West Tennessee School for the Deaf in Jackson July 13, and at the Kansas School for the Deaf in Olathe July 15-16.

#### **Announcements**

"Hear's to the ADA," a 23-minute video to educate people with hearing loss about the types of communication accommodations they can expect under the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), is available from SHHH Publications, 7800 Wisconsin Ave., Bethesda, MD 20814, or by calling (301) 657-2248 (V) or 657-2249 (TDD).

Faculty and staff who plan to take graduate courses this fall semester should plan now to pick up a schedule and application at the Office of Graduate Studies in Fay House. The application must be returned with a copy of an undergraduate transcript. (If you have been a graduate special student in the past five years, you do not need to reapply.) Applicants must



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check to see if the necessary prerequisites have been obtained and if regis tration requires permission of the instructor. Next, a course selection form must be completed and approved by Dr. Vera Follain-Grisell and returned with a tuition waiver form to the Office of Records Management before Sept. 4. For more information, call

The American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) and the National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders announces a research conference, 'Models for the Evaluation of Treatment Efficacy," in San Antonio, Texas, Nov. 17-18. For more information, contact the ASHA action line at 1-800-638-6868, or write: Treatment Efficacy Research Conference, ASHA, 10801 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852-3279.

The United States Department of Agriculture's Graduate Evening Programs offers 10-week courses in ASL I, II, and III, beginning the third week in September. If you are interested in teaching or taking a course, call Maria Wilmeth, (202) 690-4724

#### Pedestrian struck by automobile

Agnes Sutcliffe, a sign language instructor in Gallaudet's Department of Sign Communication, suffered minor injuries July 30 when she was struck by a car at Lincoln Circle East adjacent to Ely Center, according to Lee Gaskins, manager of the Department of Safety and Security.

Sutcliffe was taken by ambulance to a nearby hospital, where she was treated for minor injuries and released, said

Further details of the accident were not available at press time.

## Classified Ads

Classified ads are printed free for Gallaudet faculty and staff. Ads must be submitted in writing to *On the Green*, MSSD, Room G-37, or E-mail MGMOORE. Off-campus phone numbers must include an area code and whether the number is voice or TDD. Ads may be run two weeks if requested and if space permits. Ads received Aug. 10-14 will be published Aug. 24.

FOR SALE: 2-BR townhouse. Greenbelt. Md., less than \$800/mo., upgraded kitchen, landscaped yard, screened porch, near transportation, 10% down, \$64,500. Call Susan, (202) 789-6151 (V) days.

FOR RENT: 2-BR apt., large kitchen, living room, w/w carpeting, newly remodeled, DW, walk to Kendall Green, \$650/mo., 2-3 people OK; 1-BR apt., large living room, kitchen, \$400/mo. Call (202) 398-5969 (V), leave message

WANTED: Professional, nonsmoking female to share apt., no pets, near transportation, safe neighborhood, \$175-\$250, incl. util. Email 11MTUNG.

**WANTED:** Professional for large, bright room in house, Silver Spring, Md., nonsmoker, no pets, \$275/mo. Call x5031, leave message, or E-mail MMMORALES.

FREE: To good home, blonde lab/mix, neutered male, 11/2 yrs. old. Call Julia, (202) 789-6126 (V), days.

**FOR RENT:** BR w/private bath, Greenbelt/NASA area, \$375 plus ½ util., avail. Sept. 1. Call x5754 or (301) 552-2132.

FOR SALE: '77 Chevette, orange, many new parts, good cond., \$600/BO. Call Cheryl, (301) 604-5846 (TDD).

**FOR SALE:** Flute, like new, silver plated nickel, \$125. E-mail RBENNETT.

FOR RENT: Share 3-BR, 2-BA house in Cheverly, Md., near Metro, 6 mi. from Kendall Green, \$325/mo., incl. util. Call (301) 773-8214 (TDD), or E-mail CLPETERS.

### **Job Openings**

Some of the advertised positions may already be filled. The list below includes only new staff and faculty openings and does not represent all jobs available. To get a recorded message describing the complete list, call x5358 or x5359 (TDD).

FACILITIES SUPPORT STAFF ASSISTANT: Business Services

TEACHER ASSISTANT: Child Development Center

SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGIST: School of Preparatory Studies